

ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE.

JANUARY 1, 1863, TO THE SURRENDER—THE BREAK-UP.

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Major Gordon, Assistant Adjutant-General during General Martin's administration, in closing his article on the history of the Adjutant-General's office to that time suggested that I should continue the history to the close of the war. This is the object of this paper, with such *addenda* as may appear of interest.

The Adjutant-General, I think, was elected or confirmed by vote of the General Assembly. Governor Vance was elected Governor in August, 1862, and inaugurated January 1, 1863. The principal candidates for Adjutant-General were Hon. (afterwards Governor) Daniel G. Fowle, of Wake, and Captain John Randolph (of Northampton county), Company H, Second North Carolina Cavalry. The Legislature, by resolution or act, conferred upon the Governor the right to appoint the Adjutant-General. Daniel G. Fowle was appointed.

Major R. S. Tucker was appointed Assistant Adjutant-General. He commanded an independent cavalry company, which was placed in the Third North Carolina Cavalry on the formation of that regiment. After several months' service General Fowle resigned on account of a disagreement between him and the Surgeon-General as to the right of the latter to report directly to the Governor and not through the Adjutant-General's office, the Governor sustaining the Surgeon-General. Brigadier-General R. C. Gatlin was appointed. He had been an officer in the United States Army, was brevetted for gallantry in the Mexi-